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How to Make a Difference

By Council Member Christine Mikell



I understand that the task of affecting real political change—even in our small, suburban city—can be daunting. Before being elected to the city council, I attended many government meetings where

convey your ideas or concerns. Order and decorum are important aspects of this meeting and it is essential to respect all opinions and to not applaud, cheer or make background comments during the meeting. Council members do not respond during the public comment period—their role at that time is to listen, but a staff member is tasked with following up with anyone who asks questions or needs clarification on an issue.

A great example of the power of the public comment period process is Cottonwood Heights' Idle Free ordinance. A local Girl Scout troop, a group of mothers and several older residents all attended a business meeting to speak in favor of this ordinance. That diversity of support led to its unanimous passage by the council and our city being honored by Gov. Gary Herbert as being one of 70 Utah cities to be idle free.

I didn't speak up because I thought my comments would not be heard. But now, as a council member, I can say unequivocally that everyone who calls, emails or, in particular, speaks before the council absolutely makes a difference in how council members think, in our priorities and, ultimately, how our city is run. OK, you're probably thinking, 'I want to participate, but exactly how do I do that?' In a few ways, actually.

Speak During the Public Comment Period: City council business meetings will be held in 2019 on Jan. 8 and 22 and during the remainder of the year on the first and third Tuesday of each month in the City Hall Council Chambers (2277 Bengal Blvd.) at 7 p.m. A portion of every business meeting is dedicated to a public comment period. During this time, citizens may speak to any topic or concern not scheduled for a vote. Fill out a comment card when you arrive; the Mayor will invite you to speak when it is your turn and you will then have three minutes to



Speak at a Public Hearing: Public hearings are another way citizens can address the council as a whole. These hearings immediately precede a vote on the business meeting agenda and are the final opportunity for public comment prior to the vote. I would, however, highly recommend that you voice

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Upcoming Cottonwood Heights Events

Jan. 1	City Offices closed for New Year's Day
Jan. 2	Planning Commission Meeting @ <i>City Hall</i> 6 p.m.
Jan. 8	City Council Meeting @ <i>City Hall</i> 5 p.m. (7 p.m. Business Meeting)
Jan. 22	City Council Meeting @ <i>City Hall</i> 5 p.m. (7 p.m. Business Meeting)
Jan. 21	City Offices closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Jan. 28	Utah Wind Symphony "Masterworks" concert at Butler Middle School 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 7	Death By Chocolate @ <i>City Hall</i> 5 p.m.

→ **NEW CITY OFFICE HOURS: 8 A.M. – 5 P.M. (M-F)**

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"Masterworks" Concert Jan. 28

The Utah Wind Symphony will perform the first of two "Masterworks" concerts on Jan. 28. Another will be performed in April.

These concerts are a mix of standard repertoire for wind ensembles and newer works in the genre. The performances will give the symphony a chance to show off the incredible skill and talent of its members.

The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Cottonwood Heights Theatre located on the Butler Middle School campus.

Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$7 for students and seniors. ■



History Question of the Month

Mining activities in Little Cottonwood Canyon began in the mid-1860s. Soon, smelters were constructed at the mouth of the canyon to process the ore. At least four smelters and one stamp mill were built. Two of these smelters were in the present boundaries of our city, which ones were they?

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your concerns on topics long before a public hearing. If you are unable to be at a meeting, you may send in a letter with your comments about an agenda item and this communication will be

the items the city council is working on through this alternative resource.

Other Avenues for involvement: Other ways to participate include attending public

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included as part of the record for the hearing. Additionally, the city council work session and business meetings are streamed live on YouTube and there is a link to this on our website. If you are unavailable to attend the meetings, you may view

meetings held by the multiple committees and commissions that provide valuable assistance on issues in our city or by joining one of these groups—Planning Commission, the Butlerville Days Committee, the Architectural

Review Committee, Historic Committee, and the Parks, Trails and Open Space Committee, to name a few.

There are current openings, and if you are interested, contact the department of Records, Culture and Human Resources at 801-944-7021 or by email at pmelgar@ch.utah.gov.

Some Council members engage with residents in a more informal level at City Hall and other locations around the city.

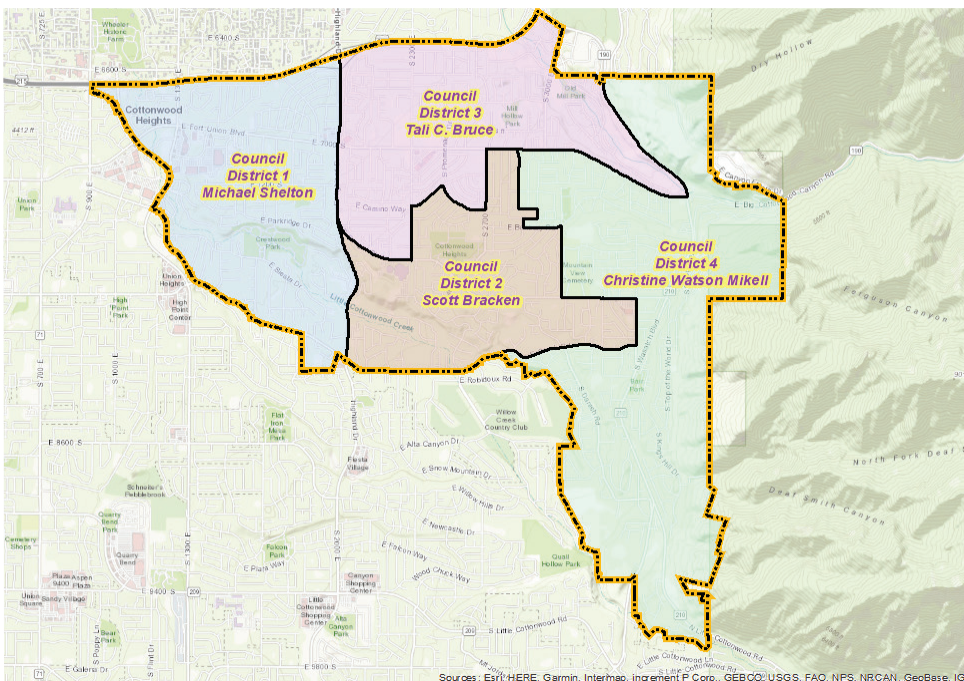
I too held similar meetings with citizens over my first year on the council, and in 2019, I plan to host quarterly dialogue/brainstorming sessions with residents as well. You can find Cottonwood Heights public meetings agendas, notices and event information on the city's website.

Please also remember that the Council and Mayor welcome and appreciate direct contact. One of my favorite parts of being a city council member is hearing from the people we serve directly—by email, a phone call or simply approaching me at the grocery store—and then engaging with our city staff to address concerns and improve our quality of life in Cottonwood Heights.

Some of the items the city council will vote on in the coming months include a sustainability resolution, an accessory dwelling unit ordinance, a "dark skies" initiative and the Wasatch Boulevard Master Plan.

I encourage you to call, email or come to a business meeting and share your ideas about these topics or any other concerns you may have.

Participation matters and every voice can make a difference. ■



January 2019 Featured Artist – Jerry Hartman

Jerry Hartman first gained a love of art in high school. After a career in food service and years of travel with his wife in Europe, he reconnected with his passion by taking painting classes in 2012.

There is not a day that goes by that Jerry doesn't see something beautiful that he would like to paint or draw.

This show will showcase Jerry's love of art. Many of these paintings were gifted to friends

and family and have been loaned back for display in the City Hall lobby.

To show appreciation for those who come to see Jerry's art, there will be a free drawing for one person to win an 18 x 24 painting of the winner's choice.

Come on down to City Hall and check out Jerry's work all month long in January. ■

City Council Meetings Streamed Live



After some testing and working through a few technological details, the Cottonwood Heights City Council meetings will be streamed live via YouTube beginning in 2019.

Some further testing and training will be required in December and early January as the city rolls out this new feature.

The link to the meetings will be found on the city's YouTube channel, and link to the live stream will be provided via the city website (www.ch.utah.gov) and the city's other social media pages (Facebook and Twitter).

The live stream is a great way for citizens who are not able to attend meetings in person to stay informed and get involved in local government. Citizens comments during city council meetings will continue to be exclusively heard by those who attend twice-monthly business meetings in person, and not through the live stream.

As a bonus, all meetings will be recorded and archived on YouTube for viewing later. ■

Parks, Trails and Open Space Committee Up and Running

Cottonwood Heights' new Parks, Trails and Open Space Committee has begun to hold regular monthly meetings at City Hall. The group was created by the city council with an emphasis on maintaining, preserving and improving the city's parks, trails and open spaces.

The committee is comprised of 14 residents from across the city with strong interest and expertise in the subject matter, as well as Ben Hill, the Executive Director of the Cottonwood Heights Recreation Service Area. It is an advisory committee that provides recommendations to the city regarding the creation and stewardship of parks, trails and open space. So far, the

committee has held three formal meetings, and has been very busy in establishing a vision statement, goals and priority projects.

The committee has already set goals to provide public awareness for existing outdoor spaces, to create programs for specific areas of interest (i.e. trails, cycling, climbing, etc.), to enhance the interconnectivity of trails within and through the city, to preserve natural open space, to identify underutilized open space needs, and more.

In its early days, committee members have taken particular interest in exploring the idea of a dog park and working to identify the



challenges and opportunities in bringing that to fruition. The committee also is acting as a steering for Community Development staff as it prepares a Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan. ■

Start the New Year with Plenty to Do at Whitmore Library



School-age kids should check out the Whitmore Library's Full STEAM Ahead weekly program starting in January. Learn science, technology and engineering through the fun use of Legos, robots, and so much more.

Gamers of all ages should stop by the Whitmore Deck Destroyers Gaming Club. Do you play deck

building games like Pokemon or Magic: The Gathering? Bring your decks for a tournament or learn to play one of these fun games. Prizes will be given for everyone who comes.

If your New Year's resolutions include a desire to read more, join the Nonfiction Book Club and read their January title: "Hillbilly Elegy" by J.D. Vance.

Don't forget the library will be closed on Jan. 21 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

For program dates and times, please visit scolibrary.org/calendar or call 801-943-4636. ■



Answer

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The Flagstaff Silver Mining Co. Ltd. was incorporated in London, England, and operated the Flagstaff Mine in Little Cottonwood Canyon, along with a smelter at the mouth of the canyon. The smelter operated between 1870 and 1873, and it appears that financial problems were the cause of its downfall.

The second was the Jones and Pardee Smelter, which was built about the same time. Known as the Little Cottonwood Smelter, it was sold in 1872 to a company in San Francisco.

The EPA identified tailings from both smelters in 1991 and contaminated areas were cleaned up. ■

Fire Extinguishers are Essential in the Home

By UFA Assistant Chief Mike Watson



I wanted to share some information on the need for fire extinguishers in the home, where they should be located, what type of fire extinguishers are appropriate, and how to take care of them.

Fire extinguishers are essential in the home for two reasons: They can extinguish small fires (the size of a small garbage can) or suppress flames enough to allow you to escape while firefighters are responding.

The best plan is to have a fire extinguisher on each floor of the home, located at or toward exits. Additionally, a fire extinguisher should be located in the kitchen, garage and in areas that have a workbench area or project area. They should be easily seen, reached and user-friendly. The goal is to suppress a fire, or slow its growth without becoming trapped or getting your escape route blocked.

Household extinguishers are classified A, B or C (or a combination of these) to indicate which types of fires on which they can be used. Here is a breakdown of what the categories mean:

- **Class A:** ordinary combustibles like cloth, wood and paper
- **Class B:** flammable liquids like grease, gasoline and oil
- **Class C:** electrical appliances and tools

Many reliable brands of extinguishers sold at home stores (such as Home Depot and Lowe's), are classified A:B:C and are suitable for all three categories of fires. They are pressurized and emit dry chemical powder when discharged. These ABC multi-purpose home fire extinguishers are the ones that are recommended most.

Approximately once a month, simply turn your extinguisher upside-down a couple times and then place it back in its spot. This will help prevent the dry chemical from settling and sticking to the inside bottom of the extinguisher. Read the label for instructions on how to properly use your extinguisher(s) and to learn when to replace them. Most home fire extinguishers have a life span of seven to 10 years.

In addition to having fire extinguishers, make sure you have an exit plan that your whole family is aware of and practice the plan. From a life-safety standpoint, it is more



important to get out than to engage in fire suppression. That said, if you can extinguish a fire without placing yourself at undue risk, you could prevent a lot of damage to your home or apartment. Don't forget to call 911 immediately and please don't cancel the fire department, even if you believe the fire is out.

Our firefighters are here to serve you. Feel free to drop by one of our fire stations to meet them and ask questions about the proper use of fire extinguishers, exit drills or anything else you would like to chat about.

Thank you and as always, stay safe! ■

Citizens Academy Reminder

CHPD is offering the Cottonwood Heights Police Civilian Academy, a 10-session program held on Wednesday evenings, from 6:30 to 9 p.m., from late February to early April 2019.

Space is limited and early sign up is recommended for Cottonwood Heights citizens at least 18 years old and who pass a security background check. This is a great opportunity to learn about local law enforcement.

If you are interested and have 10 Wednesday evenings, email Liz Jones: ljones@ch.utah.gov. ■



Snow Reminders

It's important to remember a few things about winter snow plowing:

1. It is illegal to park on the street during and directly following a snow event. Please park in driveways or make other arrangements to ensure your street does not get passed over or delayed unnecessarily.

2. It is also illegal to push or throw snow from sidewalks or driveways onto the street. Snow must be piled on your property.

We appreciate all you do to assist our crews as they work to keep our streets safe and clean. ■



Curbside Christmas Tree Collection



Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District (WFWRD) will be collecting Christmas trees during the month of January. For collection, place your undecorated tree on your curb. The trees will be collected the day after your regular collection day. If the district doesn't get your tree one week, workers will be back the following week. Please call WFWRD for additional information.

- The district cannot accept trees with decorations, lights, tree stands or flocking.
- Do not place the tree in your garbage, recycling or green waste can.
- If the tree is over 8 feet tall, please cut it into smaller sections.
- Artificial trees cannot be accepted. ■



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City Planning 944-7065

Public Works 944-7000

Recorder 944-7021

Finance Director 944-7012

Code Enforcement 944-7095

Police Administration 944-7100

City Council Meetings

Jan. 1 - NO MEETING (holiday)

Jan. 8 - Work Session 5 p.m.,

Business Meeting 7 p.m.

(Work session reconvenes after business meeting.)

Jan. 22 - Work Session 5 p.m.,

Business Meeting 7 p.m.

(Work session reconvenes after business meeting.)

Agendas are posted 24 hours in advance of public meetings.

For details about the agendas, go to: www.ch.utah.gov

Planning Commission

The Planning commission holds meetings at 6 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. This month's meeting will be held on Jan. 2.

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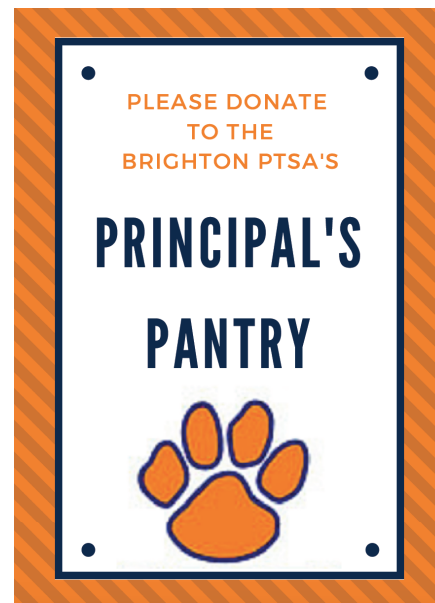
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Bengal Food Pantry to Help Families in Times of Need

The Brighton Bengals are doing their part to close the hunger gap. Roughly 30 percent of Canyons District students qualify for free- and reduced-lunch. To help, Brighton's PTSA is sponsoring a Principal's Pantry. Stocked with nonperishable food items—from protein bars and pudding cups to crackers, nuts and cereal—the pantry is temporarily located in the school's Main Office. But Principal Tom Sherwood envisions placing it in a vacant room and expanding it to include clothing and other items. "We want it to be always open and in a place where students can just come get what they need, no questions asked," Sherwood says. "Eventually, we'd like to open it before and after school to the entire community." Donations of food and new and gently-used clothing are being accepted year-round in the school's Main Office. Questions? Call 801-826-5800. ■



How Sick is Too Sick for School?

With the arrival of cold weather come winter colds and sniffles, posing the inevitable quandary for parents: How sick is too sick to send your child to school? Canyons District has been reinforcing the importance of good school attendance with a districtwide campaign encouraging students to "Be Great, Miss Less Than Eight." But there are those times when a student is simply too ill to be in class. CSD encourages school employees and students to stay home when:

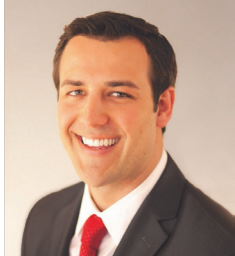
- They are not well enough or seem too run down to participate in class.
 - Their cold symptoms are accompanied by a fever of 101 F or higher.
 - They have a contagious illness, such as the flu or pinkeye/ conjunctivitis (crusty and red eyes with yellow or green discharge).
 - They have vomited two or more times in a 24-hour period, or have diarrhea.
 - They have been diagnosed with a bacterial infection, such as bronchitis or strep throat.
- In such cases, keep a child home for 24 hours after starting antibiotics. ■



Business Spotlights

Alexandru Apavaloaie Photography | 602-802-6302

Alexandru Apavaloaie is the proud owner of the newest business in Cottonwood Heights specializing in real estate and wedding photography. Born in Romania, he moved to the United States about six years ago to pursue his dream. He started as a wedding photographer in 2010 and recently found a hidden passion for architectural photography. His motto is "quality over quantity," which is why each business is treated with appreciation and respect. Visit www.apavaloaie.com or call 602-802-6302 for more information. ■



State Farm Agent Joey Webb | 6841 S. 1300 East

Agent Joey Webb strives to be a leader in his industry and community, and bringing value to others. He is a native of Las Vegas and moved to Utah six years ago after meeting his wife. They have been married for five years and have three children. His appetite for adventure aligns well with the mountain backdrop of the Wasatch mountains, and he completed his first Ironman triathlon in St. George in May 2017. Webb is on the board of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors and started his career with State Farm, working for an agent. He has now been with the company for nine years. ■

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Sweet! Death by Chocolate is Coming Up

Restaurants, bakeries and catering companies will bring their favorite chocolate desserts to the Cottonwood Heights Business Association's third annual Death by Chocolate event.

Attendees can sample all the chocolate creations and visit with friends and neighbors during this open house event. Some vendors will have products for sale.

Tuesday, Feb. 12, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Cottonwood Heights City Hall Community Room (2277 E. Bengal Blvd.)

Tickets - \$10 each / \$15 couple will be available for purchase in January at through the city website.

If you are interested in being a vendor, call 801-944-7067. ■



Shelter Drive

The Cottonwood Heights Business Association recently gathered essential items for donation to the Road Home shelter. Businesses, employees and citizens donated blankets, boots, hats and other winter clothing.

Thanks to all for your generosity. ■



Santa Sends His Thanks

A big thanks to all our Sub for Santa sponsors who helped six families have a special Christmas. They are:

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